

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKAFILED
U.S. DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

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MIDLAND RESOURCES, a
Limited Liability Company,

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Case Number: 8:05CV345

Plaintiff,

CONSENT TO EXERCISEv.
NORTHERN NATURAL GAS
COMPANY,**OF JURISDICTION BY A
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
AND
ORDER OF REFERENCE**

Defendant.

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CONSENT TO EXERCISE OF JURISDICTION BY A UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

In accordance with the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 636(c) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 73, the parties in this case hereby voluntarily consent to have a United States magistrate judge conduct any and all further proceedings in the case, including the trial, and order the entry of a final judgment. Any appeal shall be taken to the United States court of appeals for this circuit.

Signature of Attorney or PartyName of PartyDate

See Attached for Signature of parties

ORDER OF REFERENCE

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this case be referred to the Honorable David L. Piester, United States Magistrate Judge, for all further proceedings and the entry of judgment in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), Fed. R. Civ. P. 73 and the foregoing consent of the parties.

9/7/05

Date



United States District Judge

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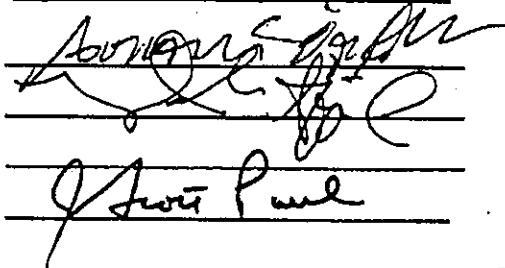
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<u>MIDLAND RESOURCES, a limited liability company,</u>)	Case Number: <u>8:05 CV 345</u>
<u>Plaintiff(s),</u>)	<u>CONSENT TO EXERCISE OF JURISDICTION</u>
<u>v.</u>)	<u>BY A UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE</u>
<u>NORTHERN NATURAL GAS COMPANY</u>)	
<u>Defendant(s).</u>)	

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Signature of Attorney or Party



Name of Party

For <u>MIDLAND RESOURCES</u>	<u>8-10-05</u>
For " "	<u>8-22-05</u>
For _____	
For <u>NORTHERN NATURAL GAS</u>	<u>8-23-05</u>

Date

DISTRICT JUDGE OPTION

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(c)(2) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 73, the parties in this case hereby acknowledge the availability of a United States Magistrate Judge but elect to have this case randomly assigned to a United States District Judge.

Signature of Attorney or Party

Name of Party

For _____	

Date